

As a journalist, I think relaxing the current rules of broadcast ownership is an absolutely terrible idea. The regulations, or lack thereof, currently in place have already caused consolidation of ownership in the media industry that all but guarantees a very limited perspective throughout the mass media. Far too often, the companies that own such a large amount of media outlets are heavily influenced, if not controlled outright, by large corporations, the government, or both. That is reflected in the content presented to the public by the media. The current rules are slowly chipping away the foundations of true free speech available to the public, and a reduction or relaxation of those laws can only be detrimental to the goals of journalism.